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Natoshia and mom Betty Bastien become emotional during Prime Minister Stephen Harper's apology today in the House of Commons to Aboriginal residential school survivors, their families and Canadians.

'Long time coming'

Apology paves way for forgiveness, residential school survivor says

By KRISTA SYLVESTER
Metro Calgary

"It was a long time coming" was a sentiment echoed by many yesterday as the government delivered what many felt was an overdue apology to Canadian native residential school victims.

As Prime Minister Stephen Harper delivered the apology to the House of Commons, Calgary Aboriginals, including 67-year-old Morley residential school survivor Tina Fox, gathered in Bowness Park to honour the historic day.

"It means a lot to us so we can forgive and begin the healing process," Fox told Metro. "It was difficult because we had to learn to become native again."

Fox ventured through a healing process of her own by attending a counselling program but she feels like there is still a lot of pain that hasn't been dealt with in the community as a whole.

"I have dealt with my hurts, pain and anger and I learned not to hate anymore," she said. "I think now it is up to us to find our own healing and learn to let go of the sorrow and hatred we felt."

Harper offered an official apology

to the former students of the residential schools, schools that forced aboriginals to learn English, adapt to Christian beliefs and where many were sexually and physically abused.

Tina Fox, Neisha Fox of the Stony Nakoda Nation, said the importance of the apology would depend on the sincerity. "Money and an apology are great but it can't take away the damage that was done," she added.

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» Native leaders hope apology will bring reconciliation between Canada and Aboriginals. p. 6

Cemeteries help honour fathers

It's Father's Day weekend and while many Calgarians will be spending time with their dads on the special day, some will be gathering at their eternal resting spot.

The City of Calgary Cemeteries will provide free daisies to those honouring their father's resting place across the city on Father's Day Sunday.

The flowers will be available at the Queen's Park for placement at any City of Calgary cemetery. The flowers can be arranged up until Sunday for pick-up at the administration office by calling 221-3660.

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Police arson unit probing blaze

The Calgary Police Arson Unit is now investigating an apartment fire that saw the rescue of two people from a third floor balcony last Friday.

The fire, which started in a ground-floor apartment at the 22-suite complex on Haddon Road SW, forced the evacuation of 50 people.

Flames shot from the suite windows and smoke poured into the above floors, causing extensive damage, with the entire loss valued at \$250,000.

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FRIDAY THE 13TH

The Canadian Taxpayers Federation is hoping

Friday the 13th will be an unlucky day for the Premier's office — as they encourage Albertans to protest recent cabinet pay hikes.

"Friday the 13th is considered a day of 'bad luck' and it seems fitting for Albertans to use this day to send a message to Premier Stelmach that they're not happy with the secretive pay hike," stated CTF-Alberta director Scott Hennig. **METRO CALGARY**



Mount Royal students will have to handle the bus rapid transit system in place to shuttle them to and from the college, but a motion by Ald. Brian Pincott on the West LRT left the door open for future C-Train service.

MRC spur a faint hope

By **NEIL MACKINNON**
Metro Calgary

Mount Royal College won't be getting C-Train service any time soon, but hope is still alive, fostered by a council-approved move by Ald. Brian Pincott to include a spur line option in the west leg's design process.

Too few potential passengers make it an unfeasible proposal, went the initial argument against providing C-Train service to Mount Royal

College, but Pincott said as the institution moves towards degree-granting status and with a business park at its south-side expanding to a potential 8,000 jobs, "if and when we decide to go down 37 Street to service that area in the not-too-distant-future, it's an easy thing to do."

Along with preventing future expansion disruptions in LRT service, Pincott predicted "millions of dollars in savings" by adding the option, which won't cost any

extra for its inclusion.

However, city transportation general manager John Hubbell said the spur line was basically equivalent to a faint-hope clause.

"It's just a thoughtful approach to thoughtful futures," Hubbell said. "It's a long, long ways in the future, if ever."

In March, council approved servicing Mount Royal College with Bus Rapid Transit when the west LRT is projected to hit its full stride around 2012.

EMS seeks greener life-saving solutions

By **NEIL MACKINNON**
Metro Calgary

Hundreds of thousands of kilometres are logged while emergency services race around the city saving lives. Now they're going to do it a little bit greener.

Calgary EMS is in the process of replacing older, gas-guzzling support service Jeeps for specialty staff for travel to calls and meetings with two more fuel-efficient models and a hybrid.

"This is just the first step," said Paul Lapointe of Calgary EMS, adding the service is also looking for 'green' SUVs that are big enough to meet their front-line needs. "We're not only trying to save lives,

in the future

» While hybrid ambulances aren't available yet, hopes are high that they're not too far in the future.

but we want to make sure we're doing our part in saving the environment as well."

Lapointe said the new vehicles, on order after an intensive project evaluating which fuel-efficient models were best suited to their daily grind, should help EMS carve down their fuel costs while leaving a lighter environmental footprint.

"These vehicles will be used very intensively," Lapointe said. "It's a pretty exciting time."

Wear purple for elders

People are encouraged to wear purple on Sunday, June 15, for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. It's estimated that as many as two out of three victims are abused by close family members, with emotional abuse most frequently reported and financial abuse second. For more info visit www.inpea.net. **METRO CALGARY**

Safety advised near streams

Caution is again advised for anyone planning to be near waters' shores in and around Calgary.

Alberta Environment has issued a high stream flow advisory for the tributaries of several rivers, including the Bow River upstream from

Calgary, the Elbow upstream from the Glenmore Dam, Threepoint Creek and the Sheep and Highwood Rivers.

Significant flooding is not expected, but a flood watch has been issued for Fish Creek and the Little Red Deer River. **METRO CALGARY**



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City seeks inflation solutions

Escalating oil prices and competition for labour have put Calgary's public capital infrastructure needs under tremendous stress, according to a report presented to the city's finance and corporate services committee yesterday.

Construction materials, labour costs and dollar exchange rates have driven a 15 per cent inflation rate in this year's first quarter, leaving the city in search of solutions.

"Calgary's economy is expected to grow at a slower pace, constrained by the lack of spare capacity and affordable housing," the report said.

Committee vice-chair Ald. Joe Ceci said the report paints a dim picture for the future of construction costs, adding that project integration with the province and city of Edmonton could mitigate cost escalation with shared labour.

"That 15 per cent inflation is only going to get higher ... it's so closely tied to the price of oil," he said.

NEIL MACKINNON/METRO CALGARY



The city is advising residents to remove standing pools of water around their homes, as they provide the perfect breeding ground for mosquitoes when the weather warms up.

Mosquito warning

Wet conditions provide perfect breeding ground

By KRISTA SYLVESTER
Metro Calgary

The city is warning residents to keep their water collectors empty of excess rain during the wet weather to keep the mosquitoes away.

Larval mosquitoes breed and live in stagnant water found in roadside ditches, field pools and yards, according to the city's entomologist technician, Andrew Gaffney.

"Mosquitoes that are breeding in the backyard are biting in the backyard," Gaffney warned. "After all this rain, if it gets really hot there will be a lot more mosquitoes out."

Gaffney helps run the mosquito control program, which uses a special spray that is only harmful to mosquitoes.

"With the wet weather we haven't been able to apply it, but we are monitoring the situation," he added.

City bylaw boss Bill Bruce is reminding Calgarians to empty extra water in and around their yards.

don't panic

» While some mosquitoes carry West Nile, Calgarians don't need to worry — yet. Alberta Health and Wellness spokesperson Howard May told Metro the dangerous mosquitoes only come later in the summer in the extreme heat. "It's still too early to tell if the population of those ones will be higher this year," he said.

"We're more worried about the mosquitoes right now than the long grass," he said.

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Rank may hide reality: Alderman

Quality of living survey ranks city 25th in world

By ALICIA FOX
for Metro Calgary

A Calgary alderman says city rankings can sometimes be misleading — and often "hide reality."

Days after Calgary was proclaimed the national leader in hate crimes, a study by Mercer of 214 cities worldwide ranked Calgary as 25th for quality of living and 22nd for personal safety.

However, the disclaimer on the site states that quality of life mustn't be mixed with their definition of quality of living, since someone living in the top ranked city, it says, might have a poor quality of life because of personal circumstance.

Ald. Brian Pincott agrees. "Measuring these kinds of things is really tough," Pincott said. "A lot of times (these

Canadian cities

» Canada dominated the North American city ranks with Vancouver in at fourth, Toronto at 15th, Ottawa 19th and Montreal 22nd in overall quality of living.

studies) can hide reality."

Pincott sees a connection between quality of life, the disparity between the rich and poor Calgary sees, and even the hate crime statistics, crimes he says "come out of the inability to understand 'the others.'"

He would like to see money directed to bridging the gap between the "haves and have-nots" in Calgary and addressing root causes for crime, instead of policing, since he says public perception of how much crime there really is is often skewed.

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Brian Mulroney once again refused to testify before the Commons ethics committee in the probe into his financial dealings with international arms lobbyist Karlheinz Schreiber.

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Harper delivers apology

Native leaders express hope for new era in relations

Prime Minister Stephen Harper addressed one of the darkest chapters in Canada's history yesterday as he formally apologized for forcing 150,000 aboriginal children into grim residential schools, where many say they were sexually and physically abused.

Harper told a Parliamentary chamber packed with legislators and aboriginal representatives that there could be no excuses for what happened at the church-run schools, which operated from the 1870s to the 1970s.

"The government of Canada sincerely apologizes and asks the forgiveness of the aboriginal peoples of this country for failing them so



Prime Minister Stephen Harper issues an apology to aboriginals in the House of Commons on Parliament Hill yesterday. Harper received a lengthy standing ovation when he concluded his speech.

profoundly. We are sorry," Harper said in a 15-minute address, at one point fighting back tears.

Native leaders said they hoped the apology would lead to a new era of reconciliation between Canadians

and the often marginalized aboriginal population, which routinely suffers from poor living conditions, high unemployment and continued discrimination.

The residential schools were initially set up to edu-

cate native children but later became part of a government campaign to assimilate aboriginals and eradicate their culture — "to kill the Indian in the child", as some put it at the time.

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Tory MP questions compensation deal

Says power too concentrated on reserves

On same day Ottawa offered an historic apology to aboriginals for the residential school legacy, a Tory MP openly questioned whether the government was getting "value" from the \$4 billion it had earmarked as compensation to the survivors.

In an interview with a radio talk show yesterday, Conservative MP Pierre Poilievre (Nepean-Carleton) questioned the native leadership and the level of federal funding directed towards native programs across the country.

"That gets to the heart of the problem on these reserves, there's too much power concentrated in the hands of the leadership and it makes you wonder where all of this money is going,"

Poillievre told Ottawa's CFRA.

"We spent \$10 billion, \$10 billion, in an annual spending this year alone... that is an exceptional amount of money,"

he said.

He stressed that the government funding is on top of the resource revenues and royalties that band councils collect for the natural resources on their lands. "That is an incredible amount of money."

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tape distributed

» A tape of the broadcast was distributed to the media yesterday by the federal Liberals. His remarks are certain to spark opposition questions in the Commons today.

Ontario premier backs controversial film

McGuinty defends tax credit support for Young People F---ing

The controversial new Canadian movie Young People F---ing has an improbable champion in Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty.

While McGuinty admitted he was "not familiar" with the romantic comedy that opens nationwide tomorrow, he defended the fact it quali-

fied for and received film tax credits.

The premier also took a swipe at the federal Conservative government's proposed legislation, Bill C-10, that threatens to strip such tax credits from movies that Ottawa deems offensive. "I'm not particularly in favour of getting involved in censoring various artistic endeavours,"

he said told reporters yesterday.

Young People F---ing's producer Steven Hoban praised the premier's stance, saying he was "really happy" to hear McGuinty's support when it comes to film tax credits. The movie, slated for national release has received a \$120,000 federal tax credit.

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McGuinty

» news In Brief

» **BOOZE** Alcohol abuse is costing you \$463 a year, whether you drink or not. Between the strain on the country's medical system, law enforcement organizations, and job productivity, avoidable alcohol-related expenses cost the Canadian economy roughly \$14.5 billion a year. Using Statistics Canada's population estimate for 2002, that works out to \$463 per person.

» **AFGHAN** Canada will have to extend its military mission in Afghanistan past 2011, must deploy 4,000 more troops to Kandahar and should be open to talking to the Taliban, a Senate defence committee said yesterday.

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Quebec Michaëlle Jean



Chile's President Michelle Bachelet, right, and Governor General Michaëlle Jean speak at the Citadelle before a meeting in Quebec City, yesterday. Canada and Chile are working towards creating greater economic relationships between the countries.

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Top secret file forgotten on train

Folder found by passenger in U.K. security breach

One of Britain's top intelligence officials left a file with secret documents about Iraq and al Qaeda on a train, in an embarrassing government security breach that was exposed yesterday.

A passenger found the orange folder on a train and handed it in to the BBC, which said it contained top secret documents on Iraq and al Qaeda.

The Cabinet Office, the central government department that supports the work of Prime Minister Gordon Brown, acknowledged the in-

embarrassing leak

» Government sources suggested that the leak was embarrassing, but would not hurt Britain's security.

» But the news will likely hurt PM Gordon Brown, who has already been stung by accusations of lax security.

cident and said it had called for a police investigation.

"The documents were secret. They were in the pos-

session of a senior intelligence official who works in the Cabinet Office. They were lost on a train," a Cabinet Of-

fice spokesman said.

"They were retrieved by a member of the public who handed them to the BBC," he said. "When the official realized what had happened, he reported it immediately to the Cabinet Office. We called the police in and they launched an investigation."

A police spokeswoman

confirmed that the counter-terrorism command of London's police force was carrying out the probe.

The Cabinet Office declined to comment on the contents of the missing file. But the BBC said they contained two reports, one on Iraq's security forces and one on al Qaeda.

REUTERS

Incest victim rejoins family in Austria

The eldest child of an incestuous relationship between Austrian Josef Fritzl and the daughter he confined for 24

Wishes

» After coming out of the medically-induced coma, Kerstin said she wanted most of all to go on a cruise and attend a concert by British pop star Robbie Williams, doctors said.

years has been reunited with her family after recovering from an artificial coma, doctors said.

Doctors also said yesterday the whole family — Fritzl's daughter Elisabeth

and the six surviving of seven children she bore him while locked in a cellar — had been moved into a house on hospital premises to promote a normal living environment.

Fritzl, 73, has been in investigative custody since the case was exposed in April.

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Bruni to release album #3

French first lady sings of lovers, drugs on album

France's first lady Carla Bruni-Sarkozy sings of 30 lovers and hard drugs on a new album that she insists was not inspired by her whirlwind romance and marriage to President Nicolas Sarkozy.

Top French newspaper Le Figaro said the distinctive melodies and bold lyrics on Bruni's *Comme si de rien n'était* (As if nothing had happened), her first album since she wed Sarkozy, were a new departure from plain folk and a musical success.

Le Figaro critic Bertrand Dicale said in his review that the album — which is due out on July 21 — shows Bruni coming of age as a songstress and embracing more recognizably French styles and the flamboyance of the 1960s.

"I am a child despite my 40 years and 30 lovers," Bruni sings in the song *Une Enfant* (A Child), according to Dicale who said it was one of the best



REUTERS FILE PHOTO

File shot of ex-model Carla Bruni from March 2007, when her song *those Dancing Days Are Gone* registered at No. 4 in France.

on the album.

In another song entitled *You are my Drug*, Bruni sings: "You are my drug. More lethal than heroin from Afghanistan and more dangerous than

Colombian cocaine."

It is Bruni's third album since turning from top model to musician, and her first since she married Sarkozy in February.

REUTERS

Record drug bust nets 237 tons of hashish

Afghan police have seized 237 tons of hashish in what NATO-led forces and the British government called the biggest narcotics haul in history.

The cannabis product had an estimated wholesale value of \$400 million, a statement by the NATO-led ISAF force said yesterday.

It was found in a series of trenches in southern Kandahar province, near the Pakistan border, which were then set on fire. One ton is

about the weight of a small family car.

"With this single find, they (the police) have seriously crippled the Taliban's ability to purchase weapons," said General David McKiernan, commander of ISAF, the International Security Assistance Force. The ISAF statement said police had also seized about 5.1 tons of opium, with an estimated value of \$30 million, and arrested 13 drug dealers in Helmand province.

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»news In Brief



» **POLITICS** The chief of Democrat Barack Obama's search for a vice presidential running mate stepped down from that role yesterday over questions about loans he received from a company involved in the U.S. housing crisis.

» **POLITICS** An unannounced Capitol Hill visit by Jennifer Lopez this week underscores the fact Democrat Barack Obama is winning the image war against presumptive Republican nominee John McCain when it comes to star power, particularly of the

beautiful young female type.

» **WEATHER** Four were killed and at least 20 injured when a tornado tore through an Iowa boy scout camp yesterday where dozens of scouts were gathered for a summer retreat, state officials said.

» **ARREST** Serbia arrested a top Bosnian Serb war crimes fugitive, Bosnian Serb security chief Stojan Zupljanin, 56, yesterday, and will hand him to the UN tribunal in The Hague, earning praise from the EU and the United States.

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Canadians still pay more

Prices 18% higher than in U.S.: Study

Retail prices in Canada, from

cars to video games and books, remain 18 per cent higher than the U.S. despite the loonie's meteoric rise to parity with the greenback last fall, according to the latest study by Doug Porter, deputy chief economist at BMO Capital Markets.

While that's down from the 24 per cent price gap seen a year ago, it's still "extraordinarily large," Porter said in the report

called "Uh, oh... the Price is Still wrong."

Meanwhile, Canadian retailers' profit margins are soaring, thanks in part to the

comparisons

» Porter noted that price comparisons between the two countries have become more difficult. Many books and magazines no longer come with both prices printed on their covers, while some products now have tiny differences in specifications between Canada and the U.S., he said.

higher dollar and cheap Asian imports, an earlier report by National Bank Financial shows. Retail profit margins hit a record high of 4.3 per cent in the first three months of this year, and are up 16 per cent over last year.

It seems retailers dropped prices just far enough last fall to "staunch a wave of cross-border shopping," Porter said.

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Space flight Brin wants in



Eric Anderson, president and chief executive officer of Space Adventures announces in New York yesterday that Google co-founder Sergey Brin has made a \$5 million US down payment to book a seat on a future private space flight. Previously Space Adventures has bought seats on Russian space agency missions to the orbiting ISS. It now plans to build its own Soyuz rocket for private missions.

Oil prices about 40% overvalued?

The price of oil is overvalued by at least 40 per cent and should fall to around \$80 US to \$90 US per barrel over the longer term, a top European Union economic adviser was quoted as saying yesterday.

Klaus Gretschnmann, director general for internal market issues at the EU's Council of Ministers, told German daily Die Welt that a speculative bubble had formed around oil prices which

would burst, lowering the cost of crude.

"Twenty per cent of the current price is attributable to foreign exchange effects and the weakness of the dollar, another 25 per cent are down to speculation," he said.

Average production costs for a barrel of crude were currently around \$15 to \$25, the paper quoted him as saying.

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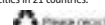


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»news In Brief

» **COPYRIGHT** The federal government said yesterday it will introduce a bill in Parliament today to overhaul the country's copyright law. Experts have speculated that the Conservative government will bow to U.S. pressure to crack down on copying of digital material with what they call draconian restrictions written into the law.

» **CEO QUILTS** Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia Chief Executive Susan Lyne is stepping down after nearly four years.

The former head of entertainment at television network ABC, Lyne joined the company in 2004 while Stewart served a five-month prison sentence over a suspicious stock sale. Stewart, 66, was barred from serving as a corporate officer with financial reporting for five years under a settlement with U.S. securities regulators.

» **IN COURT** General Motors of Canada is seeking \$1.5 million in damages from the Canadian Auto Workers union and

is seeking an injunction against the union's blockade of its Oshawa, Ont., headquarters, court documents showed. GM filed a notice of action with the Ontario Superior Court of Justice against CAW Local 222 and five of its members Tuesday. The union's blockade — set up after GM announced last week it would close its Oshawa truck plant in 2009 — has prevented anyone from entering the headquarters for eight days now.

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The Stanley Cup champion Detroit Red Wings have agreed to a new three-year contract with head coach Mike Babcock, left. The Wings have won 50-or-more games in each of their three seasons under Babcock. METRO NEWS SERVICES

D will be key for Stamps

New scheme will be simple, but not easy, says veteran

By DAN TOTH
for Metro Calgary

It's easy to criticize the 2007 version of the Calgary Stampede's defence. After all, last year's squad proved to be the most porous, statistically, in the entire Canadian Football League, allowing the most points in the CFL while also fielding the weakest run defence.

But the view from the huddle wasn't any prettier, a fact veteran defensive lineman Randy Chevrier is quick to point out.

"In general I thought we

were bad across the board, so this year we have to improve on stopping the run, getting to the quarterback and playing better man-to-man coverage," admitted the Montreal product, who turned 32 last week.

"The way camp is going, we have the potential to be a great defence, although we're not there yet. Everybody's buying into the new system."

That new system, under first-year Stamps defensive coordinator Chris Jones, entails reverting to a more traditional 4-3 scheme — four down linemen and three linebackers — after nearly four seasons under former coach Denny Creehan's 3-4 setup. Creehan was fired midway

through last season.

Now Chevrier, who hasn't played under Jones, but has admired the former Montreal Alouettes coach's work from afar, hopes to find a role under his new boss's guidance.

"I remember our offensive coaches would game-plan for (Jones' schemes) and he gave them a lot of headaches because they had to try to figure it out," Chevrier said.

"We're now the beneficiaries of all the changes with coach Jones here. I like to say it's a simple defence, but it's not an easy defence."

That new-look defence is likely to undergo multiple personnel changes before the regular season kicks off and the

defensive line could be the unit that sees the most new faces.

Improving Chevrier's chances of winning a job in training camp is his special teams work. He is commonly credited with being one of the most reliable and accurate long-snappers in the CFL.

But that alone won't guarantee Chevrier a spot in the Stamps lineup. He is one of six defensive linemen returning from last season, along with Terrence Patrick, the most experienced of the bunch, and unproven No. 1 draft pick Miguel Robede.

Also competing for starting defensive end positions are Funtaine Hunter, who spent part of last season on the practice roster, and Juwan Simpson.



Chevrier



Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo, right, celebrates his goal with teammate Armando Petit during their Euro 2008 Group A match against Czech Republic yesterday in Geneva.

Portugal clinches quarter-final spot

Turkey eliminates host Switzerland

EURO2008

Portugal became the first team into the Euro 2008 quarter-finals while co-hosts Switzerland went out in heart-breaking circumstances after two action-packed Group A matches yesterday.

Portugal, the 2004 runners-

up, beat Czech Republic 3-1 in a hugely entertaining game in Geneva, while Turkey snatched an injury-time 2-1 win over Switzerland in Basel, where torrential rain left first-half conditions almost farcical.

Portugal now have six points from their first two matches and are guaranteed to top the group regardless of what happens in their final game against Switzerland on Sunday.

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sports In Brief

» **NHL** Vancouver Canucks winger Trevor Linden announced yesterday he's decided to hang up his skates. Vancouver selected Linden second overall in the 1988 NHL draft and he spent 16 of his 19 seasons in the NHL with the Canucks. The forward, who scored 375 goals and added 492 assists in his NHL career, also played

for Montreal, Washington and the New York Islanders.

» **NHL** The San Jose Sharks have named Detroit Red Wings assistant Todd McLellan their new head coach. McLellan, who replaces Ron Wilson, will be formally introduced at a press conference today.

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(Boston leads series 2-1)

(* — If necessary)

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston 6 Baltimore 3

Detroit 5 Chicago White Sox 1

L.A. Angels 4 Tampa Bay 2

Minnesota 8 Cleveland 5

Seattle 2 Toronto 1

Texas 11 Kansas City 5

N.Y. Yankees at Oakland

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Florida 6 Philadelphia 2

Pittsburgh 3 Washington 1

St. Louis 10 Cincinnati 0

N.Y. Mets 5 Arizona 3 (13 ins)

Chicago Cubs 7 Atlanta 2

Milwaukee 10 Houston 6

Colorado 1 San Francisco 0

L.A. Dodgers at San Diego

TODAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Chicago White Sox at Detroit, 11:05

Texas at Kansas City, 12:10

Baltimore at Boston, 4:05

Minnesota at Cleveland, 5:05

N.Y. Yankees at Oakland, 8:05

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Arizona at N.Y. Mets, 11:10

Milwaukee at Houston, 12:05

Atlanta at Chicago Cubs, 12:20

San Francisco at Colorado, 1:05

L.A. Dodgers at San Diego, 1:35

Philadelphia at Florida, 5:10

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CFL

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Top off your toilet with a bidet



ARRESTING DESIGN
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The design team discussed the curious but highly practical bidet a month ago — and there were a lot of questions and a lot of interest.

We hope this column clarifies some of your questions. There are different kinds of bidets — we discussed the elegant stand-alone unit, which requires extra space and plumbing and tends to be regarded as “high end”. But many people without room or the desire to redo the plumbing in their bathrooms asked us about the toilet seat-type bidet. The toilet seat bidet is just what it sounds like — it is mounted on top of a conventional toilet like a larger-than-usual toilet seat. And it does exactly what a bidet is supposed to do — it cleans your posterior parts with soothing water (rather than subjecting them to the repeated and sometimes irritating scrubs with toilet paper or washcloths).

We've got to admit this



BRONDELL PHOTO

Toilet seat-type bidets, like this Brondell Swash 800, are a good way to save space in a bathroom.

— from a design point of view, we don't like a toilet-top bidet that looks too bulky and too “high-tech”. Please keep sleek and streamlined in mind — the last thing you want in a bathroom is a complicated and overly technical-looking piece of equipment, especially on a toilet.

That being said, we cannot deny that the toilet-seat bidet has unbeatable practical advantages. For instance, it takes virtually no room. Once installed, it simply makes the existing toilet a little taller in the back. And it hooks up to the existing toilet, so not much extra plumbing is

involved. In addition, the toilet seat bidets are easy to install and come off easily for cleaning. How persuasive is that?

The bidet toilet seat also has the advantage of being used in the same way a toilet is used — users sit on the toilet in the usual way and operate controls to turn on a water spray. So users with limited mobility may find the toilet-top bidet easier to use than a stand-alone unit, since they do not have to move themselves from the toilet, face the wall, and straddle the stand-alone — a task that takes considerable physi-

cal dexterity.

“There is no squatting (with a toilet-top bidet) — easier for those with sore knees,” notes Rita Van Dyke, sales consultant with Burnaby-based BC Plumbing.

The other amazing thing about the toilet seat bidet is the frankly astonishing range of features that are available — and these can range from necessary to quite luxurious. With a remote control, you can control water temperature and intensity, but you can also choose pulsating sprays, decide on various direc-

tional (front or rear cleansing) or massaging sprays, blow-drying, whether or not you would like a heated seat — all wonderful possibilities.

And to reassure you in case you had worries about hygiene, the water sprayed at your bottom from a toilet-seat bidet comes out of a small retractable hose which tucks back into the unit after the spraying is complete. The hose end does not touch any surfaces or body parts. (All the same, it should be cleaned once a month or so, by gently

pulling it out of its housing, and brushing it with a soft brush, says Van Dyke.)

She notes that prices for the stand-alone bidet and the toilet-top bidet are about the same — ranging from \$650 to \$850 on the average.

But the bidet faucets on a stand-alone unit (a toilet-top unit has no faucets) can jack up the cost considerably — these can range as high as \$945 for solid brass, to \$500 for brushed nickel or chrome.

Tammy Schnurr and Jeffrey Fisher are hosts of Arresting Design on W Network.



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IKEA offers more bed options

This month, IKEA will be changing their entire range of quilts and pillows as well as introducing a whole new range of advanced foam and latex mattresses in addition to the existing range of spring mattresses.

IKEA has worked in close collaboration with doctors and researchers to identify exactly how people sleep and what qualities will give them the ultimate in comfort, resulting in a whole new way of looking at sleep comfort.

“The health benefits asso-

ciated with a good night's sleep are undeniable and the key to a good night's sleep is comfort,” says Madeleine Löwenborg-Frick, Public Relations Manager, IKEA Canada.

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Asparagus is an excellent source of folate which helps prevent changes to DNA which, in turn, reduces your chances of developing cancer.

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A 'season to taste'

By BARB HOLLAND
Metro Food Writer

Asparagus season is short, usually just 4 to 6 weeks, depending on weather and locale. So pick up the last of local asparagus and grill it up with salmon, potatoes and pepper and toss with greens for a lovely warm weather dinner. Serve this recipe with some great bread and glass of chilled white wine.

Grilled Asparagus, Salmon and Potato Salad

INGREDIENTS:

1 lb (500 g) fresh local asparagus (1 bunch)
8 – 12 small potatoes, about 12 oz (375 g)
1 yellow pepper, quartered
Extra virgin olive oil
Salt and pepper
12 oz (375 g) salmon fillet
8 cups (2 L) mixed salad greens

Honey Tarragon Dressing

INGREDIENTS:

1 tbsp (15 mL) Dijon mustard
1 tbsp (15 mL) honey
2 tbsp (25 mL) white wine vinegar
1 tbsp (15 mL) fresh lemon juice
1 tsp (5 mL) dried tarragon leaves
½ tsp (2 mL) salt
¼ tsp (1 mL) pepper
1/3 cup (75 mL) olive or vegetable oil



Roasting and grilling concentrate the flavour of most foods, particularly vegetables that are often cooked in water, such as asparagus.

PREPARATION TIME: 15 minutes
GRILLING TIME: 30 minutes

Serves 4

METHOD: Make dressing: In small bowl, whisk mustard, honey, vinegar and lemon juice. Add tarragon, salt and pepper. Slowly whisk in oil. Re-whisk just before serving, store any leftover in sealed jar in refrigerator. Makes about 2/3 cup (150 mL).

Brush salmon with 1 tbsp (15 mL) dressing while preparing remaining ingredients and preheating barbecue. Place greens in a large salad bowl. Wash asparagus well, snap off ends. Scrub

potatoes. Toss asparagus, potatoes and yellow pepper with a little olive oil and season lightly with salt and pepper.

Grill asparagus, potatoes, pepper and salmon on preheated barbecue over medium-to-medium high heat until salmon is opaque and vegetables are done, 20 to 30 minutes. Remove items as they are cooked.

Slice salmon, asparagus and pepper into bite size pieces. Cut potatoes in half or quarters, depending on size. Add all to salad greens; add a small amount of dressing and toss well. Serve immediately.

TIP #1: A flat grill with holes

simplifies grilling fish and a grill basket is good for small vegetables such as small potatoes.

TIP #2: Refrigerate remaining dressing.

Asparagus Tips:

- Look for firm, straight spears with deep green or purple tips that are compact and tightly closed. The stem ends should be moist and green, not grey, cracked or dry.
- Skinny, medium or large, the size isn't the issue, but try to pick similar size spears for even cooking. Medium to large are better for the grill.

- The fresher the better, asparagus is best cooked the day you buy it. To store any longer, cut 1 inch (2.5 cm) or so off the ends and wrap the ends in wet paper towel and store in plastic bag; or store like flowers, upright in 1 inch (2.5 cm) of water in a container and cover with plastic.

- Grit and sand can wedge itself in the tightly compacted tips, so wash well, lightly scrubbing the tips. Break off asparagus stems where they snap easily, composting the ends.

- Roasting and grilling concentrate the flavour of most foods, particularly vegetables that are often cooked in water, such as asparagus. Toss in a little oil, season to taste and grill over a high to medium-high heat until tender-crisp but bright green. For doneness, go by looks and texture rather than time.

- Good for you — asparagus is high in folate, a source of vitamin C and A, iron, phosphorus, potassium, thiamine and riboflavin. Each spear has about 8 calories.

Nutritional Info

1 Serving	
Protein:	23 grams
Fat:	15 grams
Carbohydrates:	28 grams
Calories:	343
Asparagus is a good source of fibre.	

just a bite



Prosciutto provides a touch of saltiness and crisp contrast to this tender, grilled asparagus.

Grilled Prosciutto and Asparagus Bundles

SERVES 6 Wash 36 spears of fresh Ontario Asparagus well; snap off ends. Dry and toss with oil and season with pepper. Divide asparagus into 12 bundles of 3 spears each; wrap each bundle of 3 with 1 piece of prosciutto.

Place bundles on greased grill over medium to medium-high heat; grill until asparagus is bright green and tender and prosciutto is crisp, about 5 minutes.

Serve bundles warm with a drizzle of garlicky Caesar dressing.

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Just as Mother's Day is presaged by a torrent of romantic comedies and Halloween by the release of ever-more-obscure horror films from the vaults of the studios, the lead-up to Father's Day usually involves an avalanche of war films and westerns on DVD. This year, however, there have been a few wrinkles in the DVD prelude to Father's Day — a day that Dad is obvi-

Top of the shopping list is Warner's **Dirty Harry: The Ultimate Collection**—seven discs collecting all five of Clint Eastwood's portrayals of the cop who never heard of Miranda rights. Warner's deluxe set comes with a little hardcover book, a map of the Harry's pursuit of the Scorpio Killer

Warner's also has a hell of a Frank Sinatra reissue program to draw on for Father's Day DVD gifts. **Sinatra**, the award-winning miniseries biopic of Sinatra's life starring Philip Casnoff as the singer — produced by Sinatra

Less lavish — but probably more basically watchable — is the three-disc set collecting the films Sinatra made with Gene Kelly (*On The Town*, *Take Me Out To The Ball Game* and *Anchors*).

Finally, if Dad's managed to get a Blu-ray player, MGM has a quintet of war films out in high-def. **Patton**, **The Longest Day** and **The Sand Pebbles** all duplicate their regular DVD special editions, with bonus features on an extra disc for the first two titles, and Dad will probably experience shell shock after seeing these old favourites in HD. The discs of **The Battle Of Britain** and **A Bridge Too Far** come bare bones, however, without any special features, which means Dad will probably want to keep his DVD versions.



Dirty Harry: The Ultimate Collection contains seven discs with all five of Clint Eastwood's portrayals of the famous cop.



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Katherine Heigl, left, will star in and produce the movie adaptation of *Escape*, Carolyn Jessop's memoir about living in a polygamist sect. EW.COM

new story

Apocalypse is now for Rogen



MOVIES Can the end of the world be funny?

Mandate Pictures thinks so, and it's turning an Internet trailer that writer/actor Seth Rogen and his pals did on the subject into a feature film. Jay and Seth Vs. The Apocalypse will be written by Rogen and his writing partner, Evan Goldberg, and will star Rogen and Jay Baruchel.

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» TV The makers of *Gossip Girl* are planning a spinoff series set at a girls' boarding school. Producers are hoping to expand the popular CW show either by giving co-star Taylor Momsen her own series or by introducing a new character in the fall who is later spun off. The story would likely draw on the arc of Momsen's character, Jenny Humphrey.

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Wipe away that smile

Singer-songwriter Aimee Mann drops seventh solo disc

By ANN-MARIE COLACINO
for Metro Calgary

With her seventh solo album recently released and two decades of success behind her, including an Oscar nod, singer-songwriter Aimee Mann has a lot to smile about.

Just don't ask her to.

She makes it clear she despises this type of request in her new album title @#%&*! Smilers, which audiences are expected to insert their own curse word into. It's pointed at a phrase Mann and a friend coined to describe people who feel the need to tell others to be more... well, smiley.

The characters in Mann's 13-song pop collection would likely share this sentiment. They include a drug addict, a



@#%&*! Smilers, the latest album from Aimee Mann, was released last week.

has-been, an insecure artist and a host of other troubled personalities.

"I think it's a mix of both (real and fictional characters)... there's definitely songs about people I know, but a lot of it is fictional," says Mann about *Smilers*, released on her own SuperEgos label. Highly praised for her lyrics (charac-

ters and situations in the 1999 movie *Magnolia* were written based on her songs), Mann's carefully crafted story-telling is often confessional and/or cautionary.

"(Songwriting) is good for the kinds of things that you can't really talk to anybody about and you can barely sort of even explain to yourself. It's

a way for your subconscious to kind of communicate with your self," explained the youthful-looking 47-year-old.

In synth-pop opener *Free-way*, Mann documents the struggles of a drug-addicted friend.

"I think everybody struggles with obsession to a certain extent because I think

it's a mechanism by which people make themselves feel better... It gives you the illusion of control and power."

And while the Los Angeles-based singer stays true to her soulful pop sound, *Smilers* differs from her other work in its lack of electric guitar.

Instead, Mann focuses on keyboard, acoustic guitar and synthesizers. For instance, the last track, *Ballantines*, is an almost cabaret-sounding tune, albeit telling the disheartening story of a one-time hot shot now down on his luck.

"I dreamt that I wrote a song and I was listening to this song in my dream and at the end of every verse, it referenced a different beer... All I remember (was *Ballantines* beer) and I just thought that that was such a ridiculous idea that I thought I'd see if I could write something that had the flavour of that dream."

Those dirty little Wet Secrets

Edmonton group blends zany lyrics with dance rock

By BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Calgary

A small, unsuspecting prairie town sits quiet. The clichéd tumbleweed rolls by. Suddenly, movement is seen in the distance. It's people — fifty of them. They're wearing marching band uniforms, promenading down the main

strip in single file. Some play instruments, some wave flags and twirl batons while others pull little red wagons holding powered amps. But, before the town knows what's hit them, the procession has marched out the other side of town, boarded a bus and is gone.

That's *The Wet Secrets'* rock fantasy.

"That is really our fantasy: 'Guerilla marching band strikes on unsuspecting small town'," envisions Trevor Anderson, vocalist and drummer

for the Edmonton quintet.

Rock Fantasy is also the title of the band's sophomore album; an uproariously commanding record characterized by overtly humorous lyrics and vigorous dance-rock songs. "We very happily — sometimes to our detriment — shout things that should be kept secret," Anderson says.

They almost have to be light. Busy lives outside *The Wet Secrets* barely permit them time to focus too heavily on the band's development.

Kim Rackel on tuba and trumpet and Donna Ball on trombone run burlesque troupe, *Capital City Burlesque*. Lyle Bell does overtime in *Shout Out Out Out Out* and manages production of Edmonton's *Vue Weekly*. Keyboardist Doug Organ (check his birth certificate) produces and plays in a number of bands and Anderson doubles as a budding filmmaker.

When asked if the band has longevity in them, Anderson jokes, "Oh, I doubt it! It was



The *Wet Secrets* mix humorous lyrics and dance rock on *Rock Fantasy*.

meant to be a one week prank and it has been pulling us along so far."

But, Anderson says *The Wet Secrets* are happy fatalists, optimistic about what's to come. "There's a certain amount of life that you just have no say

in. The more you can embrace that, the more happy accidents can occur."

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Jack Black, left, has dropped out of the Warner Bros. comedy *Man-Witch*, which he was developing with director Todd Phillips (*Old School*) and screenwriter Jay Reiss for the past year. It's unclear why the comedian abandoned the project.

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Rox enrols in rock school

Former Jakalope singer finds her roots in solo CD

By **HEATHER SETKA**
for Metro Calgary

Forget Camp Rock. 4-H is the real required training for musical stardom. At least that's where Airdrie-raised Katie Rox got her skills to pay the bills.

For those who don't know who she is or know her from her previous incar-

nation, Rox is the former lead singer of Vancouver industrial pop ensemble Jakalope. Then known professionally as Katie B, her sweet simple voice, pretty face and petite body fronted the band's often dark and disturbing videos.

But Rox is singing a new tune these days ... that of folkie rock country girl with guitar. It's a melody more

akin to her youth in Southern Alberta, growing up at agricultural exhibitions and as a member of the Airdrie Flying Hooves 4-H Club.

And also unlike her Jakalope experience, this time Rox is doing it all by herself both on and off the stage. Still based in Vancouver, she's her own booking agent, manager and PR person. "I'm even my own

«I'm even my own merch girl. I'm putting myself through the school of rock.»

Katie Rox

merch girl," she says with wide eyes and a bright laugh. "I'm putting myself through the school of rock," says the 26-year-old singer songwriter, sitting with her mom at the kitchen island in her parents' home on an acreage east of Airdrie.

"I decided to do it on my own," Rox says. "That way I'll have an appreciation for what people do for you in this business."

"Isn't that the 4-H motto?" her mom throws in.



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Katie Rox, former lead singer of Jakalope, has come home solo, reaching out to her folksy music roots and touring the area with a new CD.

"Learn to do by doing," they say at the same time and then laugh.

Taking this leap on her own came easily for Rox. "It

(Jakalope) never felt like me anymore. It was hard to leave, but I knew it was the right decision."

Rox acknowledges this natural movement back to her roots throughout her new CD, *High Standards*. In a track titled *Sound Advice*, her dulcet voice confesses, "I tried a little bit of rock and roll/But... I think I'll always be country/And that's all right with me."

She sings these words in the same pure songbird voice that Jakalope fans loved to hear soaring above the driving, heavy beats. It's the same voice alright. But now it sounds like it belongs.

Things for dad to do in Calgary



Dads are impossible to buy for. Unless your dad is particularly metrosexual, you can't really cop out with flowers. And he only needs so many ties, especially if he's an electrician or a directional driller.

Here's an idea. Instead of another socket wrench set, take your dad on a date. Or if he's single, set him up on one. Then suggest he impress her by taking her to one of these events.

Vancouver rockers Theory of a Deadman play MacEwan Hall tonight to support their release *Scars & Souvenirs*. Song titles on the album like *Bad Girlfriend* and lyrics like "I'm so happy we're through" suggest that somebody in TOAD got hurt. Bad.

This album may very well be the dude version of Alanis Morissette's *Jagged Little Pill*. Perhaps if your dad is single this isn't such a great idea after all. But then again if he needs to unleash some broken-hearted male angst, tickets are about \$30.

Maybe your dad likes to eat. Maybe he likes art. Or

maybe he just likes wandering the streets of Calgary. If so, buy him a ticket to Saturday's Gallery Calorie. This event is a self-guided walking tour of restaurants and art galleries on 17th Ave.

"Self-guided" doesn't mean you pay \$40 to simply stroll 17th. Each stop on the tour offers eats and/or booze for tour participants only. Tomkins Park is the final destination for a wrap-up party with live music and dancing under the stars. And probably in the rain too. Pack dad's umbrella. Check out gallercalorie.com for more information.

If none of the above suits your dad, how about half-naked, half-dead women?

A new movie called *Zombie Strippers* is playing at the Plaza Theatre on Sunday. The premise alone is appealing. A virus created in a small Nebraska town somehow turns a group of (ahem) dancers into zombies. Jenna Jameson stars. That oughta get dad's attention, whether he's metrosexual or not.

Matinées are free this Father's Day at the Plaza. Visit theplaza.ca.

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Training for Rescue Me

CALL IT RESEARCH: As everyone knows, actress Tatum O'Neal was caught up in a drug bust earlier this month, busted on New York's Lower East Side buying cocaine during what she calls a downward emotional spiral after the death of her dog. It's another troubled chapter in the life of the daughter of actor Ryan O'Neal and actress Joanna Cook Moore. In a piece in Entertainment Weekly just after her arrest she tried to explain her motives, adding that she's estranged from her father, and that her mother died of her addiction. (Moore, a heavy smoker, died of lung cancer in 1997.)

That O'Neal is sticking to the addict's script is fairly obvious, so it comes as no surprise to hear that Denis



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Leary is fully supportive of his fellow Rescue Me cast member. O'Neal plays the sister of Leary's character on the show — an alcoholic like her brother, with a little porn addiction on the side and the sort of emotional history that would even make friends think twice before trying to fix her up with someone they know.

"Tatum shot a couple of episodes before her recent

trouble," Leary told the National Ledger this week, "and she has a lot of other segments she'll do — it doesn't matter to me when and how she comes back. I love her. She's great."

Leary calls the bust "a lucky break for her," since it "kept her from doing whatever damage she would have done to herself." It also adds an extra layer of verisimilitude to the show, which has been pushing the limits of dark comedy since it debuted on FX almost four years ago; with O'Neal, the show has landed itself in some swampy region between method acting and reality TV.

SPECIAL GUESTS: "Stunt-casting" is just one of the ways in which primetime has been spicing itself up

lately, poaching the more sordid parts of the tabloid marquee for ratings-grabbing guest shots, as well as getting movie stars, actors with featured parts on other shows, and the occasional wily casting in-joke, to turn every week into "a very special episode."

My Name Is Earl has so far featured spots by Paris Hilton, Howie Mandel, Giovanni Ribisi, Juliette Lewis and Michael Rapaport, among others.

The show even tried to get Britney Spears to play a stripper before her How I Met Your Mother guest spots, but Earl creator Greg Garcia says that they're not interested any more. "Now she's been used, so no thanks!"

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

casting

Green to guest on My Name Is Earl



COMEDY Actor Seth Green will guest star on an episode of the NBC comedy My Name Is Earl, Reuters reports. Green will play Buddy Zaks, a former Make-a-Wish child whose wish to star in an action movie was ruined by Earl (Jason Lee). In order to cross Buddy off his list of wrongs to right, Earl must produce Buddy's film.

art show

Duran Duran make Louvre history

MUSIC Duran Duran have become the first pop group to perform at the Louvre Museum in Paris, BBC News Online reports. The museum opened its doors for the band — who performed in the famous Louvre Pyramid, designed by I.M. Pei. The gig was organized as part of a fundraising effort for the 18th century Decorative Arts Gallery of the museum, which is due to re-open in 2011.

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Hope & Faith

Hope and Faith's (Kelly Ripa, Faith Ford) father is portrayed by veteran actor Robert Wagner in "Phone Home for the Holidays." Known for playing the field socially, and usually with much-younger women, Dad surprises his daughters by bringing an age-appropriate girlfriend (guest star Lynda Carter) with him for Thanksgiving. The sisters are even more surprised when the new flame confesses a secret. 7:30 PM on CMT



The Russia House

Another movie where an older Sean Connery gets the younger, beautiful woman. In this 1990 drama based on a John le Carre novel, he stars as Bartholomew Blair, a British publisher who doubles as an involuntary spy trying to track down the person handing Russian secrets to Great Britain. Michelle Pfeiffer, Roy Scheider, J.T. Walsh and John Mahoney co-star. 6:30 PM on BRAVO

Fear Itself

Eric Roberts confronts his past demons. Let's see ... we've got "DOA: Dead or Alive," "Phat Girlz" and living in Julia's shadow, for starters. Just kidding. In the new episode "Spooked," Roberts plays a private investigator on a stakeout at a house that happens to be haunted. Let's just say it doesn't go well. Cynthia Watros ("Lost") and Jack Noseworthy ("Judging Amy") also star. 11 PM on KHQ

celebritybuzz

Wedding's off: Report

Jamie Lynn Spears' baby joy may have turned sour because her wedding to Casey Aldridge is off, *star-magazine.com* reports.

The pregnant teenager has called off her wedding to the father of her baby.

Ever since the Zoey 101 star announced she's pregnant, her mom, Lynne Spears, has reportedly been pushing her to marry Aldridge.

While it seems like Jamie Lynn has been trying her best to do the right thing, insiders have told Star that the tension between the couple has become so intense that it's doubtful they will ever exchange vows.

"Jamie Lynn and Casey have been fighting non-stop about

everything, from what to name the baby to what to eat for dinner," a source told Star. "And now she's called off their wedding plans."

Despite reports that the couple bought a house near Jamie Lynn's hometown of Kentwood, La., 17-year-old Jamie Lynn has reportedly moved back into the Spears' family estate — and her dad, Jamie Spears, has flown from pop star sister Britney's side in Los Angeles to be there for his younger daughter.

"They've been busy decorating the baby nursery," an insider revealed.

Aldridge, 19, is "in and out," the second insider says of the current status of the couple's relationship.

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Salma may wed this summer

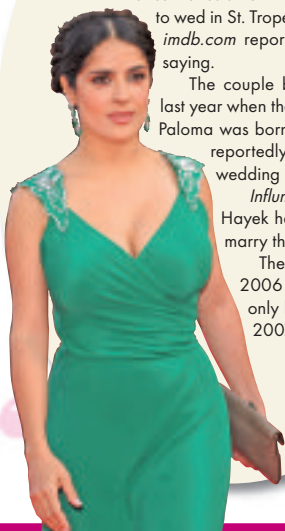
Actress Salma Hayek and her businessman fiancé Francois-Henri Pinault are planning to wed in St. Tropez later this summer, *imdb.com* reports French media as saying.

The couple became new parents last year when their daughter Valentina Paloma was born and now Hayek has reportedly started looking for a wedding gown.

Influmedia.com reports that Hayek has happily agreed to marry the millionaire.

The couple met in April 2006 but their romance only became public in 2007.

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Mark drops 'wife' word

Actor Mark Wahlberg and model Rhea Durham have been together for years — and are parents to daughter Ella, 4, and son Michael, 2, *People.com* reports.

Now, as the couple expects baby No. 3, are they ready to walk down the aisle?

They haven't announced an engagement, but Wahlberg did call Durham his "future wife" recently, at the New York premiere of his new film, *The Happening*, when discussing his 37th birthday on June 5.

"I had a beautiful day with my kids and my future wife," he said. "We went to brunch."

As for the impending arrival, Wahlberg revealed they're having a son, and that Durham, 29, is due in September. "We're thrilled!"

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Madonna denies divorce

Pop star Madonna is not divorcing her husband, filmmaker Guy Ritchie, the New York Daily News reports her rep as having said.

A blog claimed earlier this week that Madonna had hired top matrimonial lawyer Nicholas Mostyn, the attorney who represented former Beatle Paul McCartney in his divorce from Heather Mills.

Madonna's spokeswoman, Liz Rosenberg, said otherwise.

"All's good. They're very happy," Rosenberg said.

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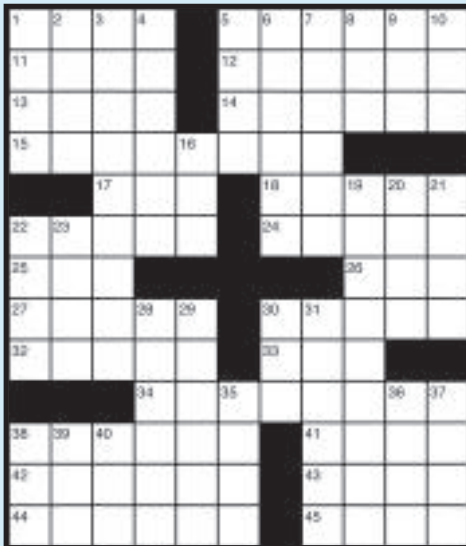
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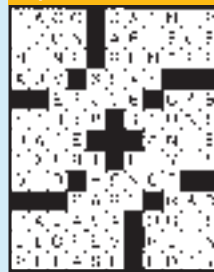


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A fearless friend will perform tricks. A disgusted woman is outrageous, but don't say so. A punitive person influences a conscience.

**SCORPIO** | Oct. 24-Nov. 22

A woman wants to talk about having fun. Don't battle against a man's generosity. Making an effort will let you stash extra money.

**SAGITTARIUS** | Nov. 23-Dec. 21

A blonde's novel approach changes responses. Nutrition assumes greater importance. Comments are made about an accuser.

**CAPRICORN** | Dec. 22-Jan. 20

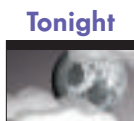
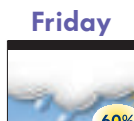
Keep a tight grip on your spending. There's a failure to connect with a loved one. Confusion wastes time and causes despair.

**AQUARIUS** | Jan. 21-Feb. 18

Wacky reactions will get stale fast. A change of location will benefit you. A strange voice is heard in an unusual place.

**PISCES** | Feb. 19-Mar. 20

Ask a few questions about fun-filled activities. Noise causes some harsh words. Don't hurt a timid person's earnest heart. AVATAR VENUS

This Day IN HISTORY**June 12, 1942:** Holocaust: Future essayist Anne Frank receives a diary for her 13th birthday.**June 12, 1967:** The U.S. Supreme Court declares laws against interracial marriage unconstitutional.**June 12, 1964:** Anti-apartheid activist Nelson Mandela is sentenced to life in prison for sabotage in South Africa.**June 12, 1994:** Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman are murdered. O.J. Simpson is later acquitted of the killings. SOURCE: imdb.com**Calgary weather**Partly cloudy.
19°Clear.
Low 8°Showers.
18° / 5°Showers.
16° / 5°Sunny.
17° / 4°Temperature
Normals
High: 19.9°
Low: 6.3°Records
High: 31.1°/1959
Low: -1.7°/1969Sunrise: 5:20 a.m.
Sunset: 9:51 p.m.
Moonset: 2:06 a.m.
Moonrise: 4:10 p.m.

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